

Environmental Policy

The Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren (NSWCDL) is committed to protecting the environment while carrying out its mission. All personnel share the responsibility to comply with environmental laws, regulations, and policies. Along with the Naval Support Activity South Potomac, through our Environmental Management System, **we are committed to:**

- Integrating sound environmental practices into processes and business decisions, while maintaining efficient and successful mission execution.
- Complying with applicable federal, state, local, Department of Defense, and Department of Navy regulations and policies for which NSWCDL subscribes.
- Continuously improving environmental performance through effective environmental planning.
- Ensuring pollution prevention, preservation of our land, Chesapeake Bay sustainability, and protection of natural and cultural resources.
- Educating employees concerning their environmental protection responsibilities.
- Increasing public awareness of our commitment to protect the environment.

Signed by: **M.H. SMITH**
Captain, U.S. Navy
Commander, NSWCDL
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<http://www.navsea.navy.mil/nswc/dahlgren>

Helpful Information

For the following emergencies dial 911:

- Fire
- Medical
- Spills
- Explosive Mishaps

Non-emergency Points of Contact	Phone Number (540) 653- or DSN 249-
Ammunition Inventory Control Manager	8121
Corporate Communications Office	8154
Emergency Management Specialist	4790
Emergency Services Dispatcher (Security)	8291/8095/8531
Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team	7425/7160/5838
Explosives Safety Officer	4296
Fire	8726
Medical	8241
Pass and ID Office	6890
Range Control	8791
Range Safety Director and Ordnance Officer	7460
Safety & Environmental Director	8695

Weapons Testing Hotline:
877-845-5656 (toll free)

Noise Questions and Comments:
866-359-5540 (toll free)

Environmental Management System (EMS)



**Naval Surface Warfare
Center Dahlgren Site
Dahlgren, Virginia**

General Information

An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a set of systematic process and practices that enable an organization to reduce environmental impacts and increase operating efficiency. An EMS also recognizes actions that provide positive environmental impacts, such as recycling and vanpools.

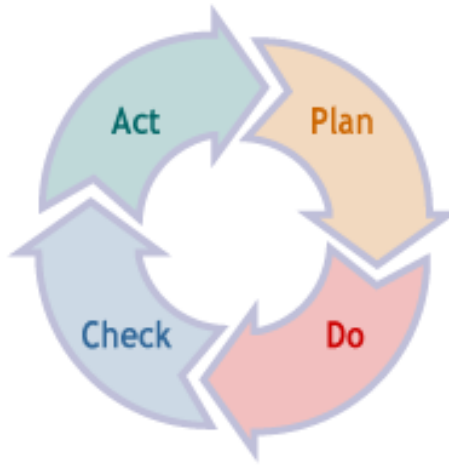
In accordance with Executive Order 13423, Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management, 24 January 2007, the Navy shall implement Environmental Management Systems at all appropriate organizational levels.

International Standard ISO 14001 is a worldwide standard that provides the specification for an EMS, and Naval Surface Warfare Center Dahlgren Site (NSWCDL) has established an EMS following this standard. NSWCDL's mission EMS provides the framework for reliably and consistently meeting Dahlgren's environmental obligations.

EMS implementation encompasses NSWCDL civilian and military personnel, contractors, and authorized command functional areas that perform and/or support operations for which the Commander, NSWCDL, has operational and/or fiscal responsibility.

NSWCDL visitors are not working for or on behalf of NSWCDL and, therefore, are not required to participate in EMS training. However, general EMS information is available to them upon entering NSWCDL workspaces.

The NSWCDL EMS Approach



1. **Plan:** Identify environmental aspects and establish goals.
2. **Do:** Define, document, and communicate EMS roles and responsibilities and ensure objectives and targets are addressed and supported.
3. **Check:** Monitor and measure EMS performance, allowing corrective action and continuous improvement.
4. **Act:** Review the EMS, ensuring continued suitability, adequacy, effectiveness, and appropriate operation.

At no time is this process complete; instead, the EMS is constantly scrutinized to ensure that objectives are met and that the most effective and efficient approaches are used.

NSWCDL leadership is committed to EMS. They review and discuss the system in detail at least annually, thereby ensuring that environmental considerations are integrated into mission decisions and operations.

Definitions

Environmental Aspect: Element of an organization's activities, products, or services that can interact with or impact the environment.

Environmental Impact: Any change to the environment, whether adverse or beneficial, wholly or partially resulting from an organization's activities, products, or services.

Environmental Objective: A practicable broad, long-term environmental goal arising from an organization's environmental policy.

Environmental Target: A detailed, quantifiable, and practicable performance requirement or short-term goal that will lead to achievement of EMS objectives.

Points of Contact

Public Inquiries: NSWCDL welcomes EMS inquiries. Please contact the NSWCDL Public Affairs Office at 540-653-8152 for more information.

NSWCDL Government or Contractor Personnel Inquiries: Please contact Bridget Petrucelli, the NSWCDL EMS Representative at 540-653-7713 or DSN 249-7713.